

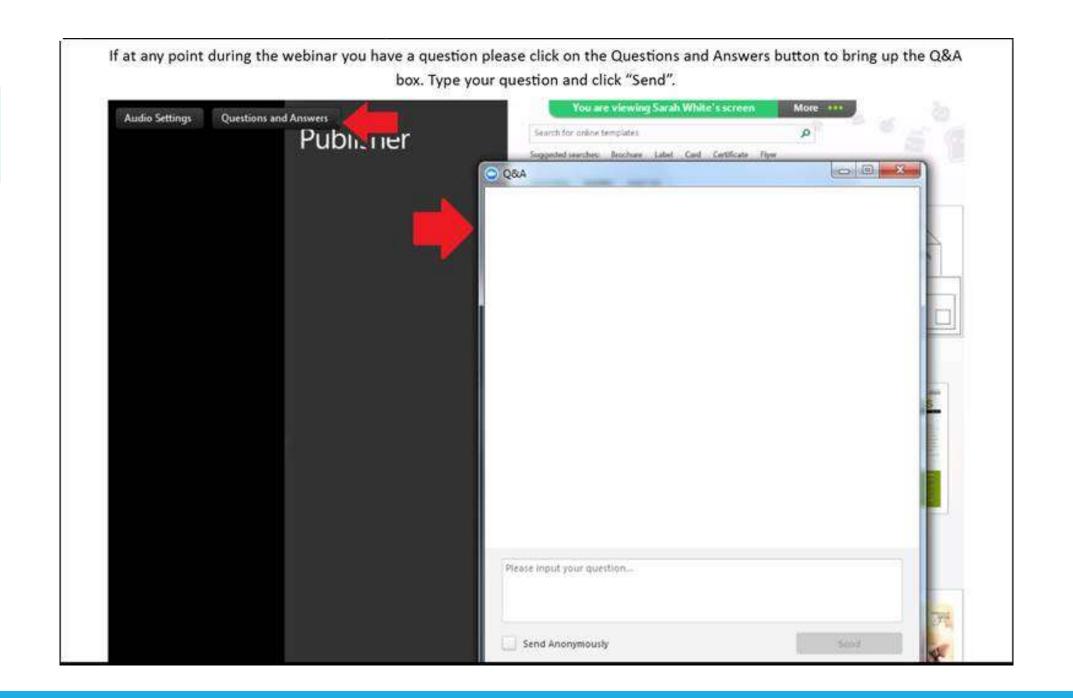
## MARKETING TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION

MONTHLY WEBINAR, NOVEMBER 28, 2016

## **WELCOWE!!**

To a monthly live link to the Bureau of Nutrition and Health Services for new and not so new school nutrition managers.

To a forum for you to ask questions and get answers.



# THIS WEBINAR AND TRAINING DOCUMENTATION FOR SCHOOL NUTRITION PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

- Document the time you spend watching this webinar or other webinars presented by our Bureau.
- Documentation of Participation in handouts
   Learning Objectives for today are under
   Communication and Marketing (4100)

## MONTHLY MEMO REVIEW

- Sent to designated Authorized Representative and Food Service Director in IowaCNP
- Contact <u>patti.harding@iowa.gov</u> to receive these
- History since 2012 on
  - DOE WEBSITE - https://www.educateiowa.gov

## **CURRENT MEMOS**

Verification and Verification Reporting

USDA Memos (no longer a copy of the memo)

USDA link <a href="http://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/policy">http://www.fns.usda.gov/school-meals/policy</a>

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#### School Meals Home

#### How to Apply

- Application
- Income Eligibility
- Reimbursement Rates

#### **Browse By Subject**

- CN Labeling
- Community Eligibility Provision
- Disaster Assistance
- Federal Register Documents
- > Food Safety
- Guidance and Resources
- Grants
- Legislation
- > Policy
- > Press Releases
- Professional Standards
- Regulations
- Reports
- Research
- Tools for Schools
- Unpaid Meal Charges

#### School Meals

#### Policy

The following list contains policy memos for the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program and the Special Milk Program.

To perform a full-text search on policy memos, click "View All" at the bottom of this page, then use your browser menu Edit/Find or Control-F5 to initiate the search.

#### Date



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Date	Document#	Title
10/19/2016	SP05 CACFP03 SFSP02-2017	Q&A: Purchasing Goods and Services Using Cooperative Agreements, Agents, and Third-Party Services
10/19/2016	SP06-2017	FFVP: Funding Allocation Distribution
10/07/2016	SP04-2017	Model Functional Requirements for State and Local Information Technology Systems
10/06/2016	SP01-2017	Release of the Revised Federal State Agreement for Child Nutrition and Food Distribution Programs (form FNS-74)
10/06/2016	SP02 CACFP01 SFSP01-2017	Updated Fiscal Year Reporting Timeline and Reporting Table
10/06/2016	SP03-2017	Draft Tool for Local Agency Procurement Reviews for School Food Authorities in SY2016-2017 - Revised
09/30/2016	SP60-2016	Indirect Cost Guidance

## Enter Questions!

## WELCOME TEAM UP MENTORS!

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# BEST PRACTICES IN BUILDING STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAMS

CHERYL DICKMAN HOWARD-WINNESHIEK CSD

# HOWARD-WINNESHIEK COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, CRESCO IA

Student population: 1099

Free & Reduced: 47%

Employees: 16

Budget: \$750,000

# of Schools: 3

#### **Participation**

Breakfast: 23.12% Combined

Lunch: Elementary=92.91% Jr. High/High School=71.96%

#### RELATIONSHIPS AND EDUCATION

Build a strong working relationship.

Educate your

- Superintendent
- Building Principals
- Staff
- Students



#### **BEST PRACTICES**

- Create an atmosphere that is student friendly
- > Employee training on customer service
- Faster POS stations
- Cafeteria updated and not institutional
- Good presentation of salad bar and serving line



HOWIE'S CAFE



SALAD BAR WITH COLORFUL WRAP



SALAD BAR COLOR



MORE SALAD BAR CHOICES



RESTAURANT-STYLE SEATING



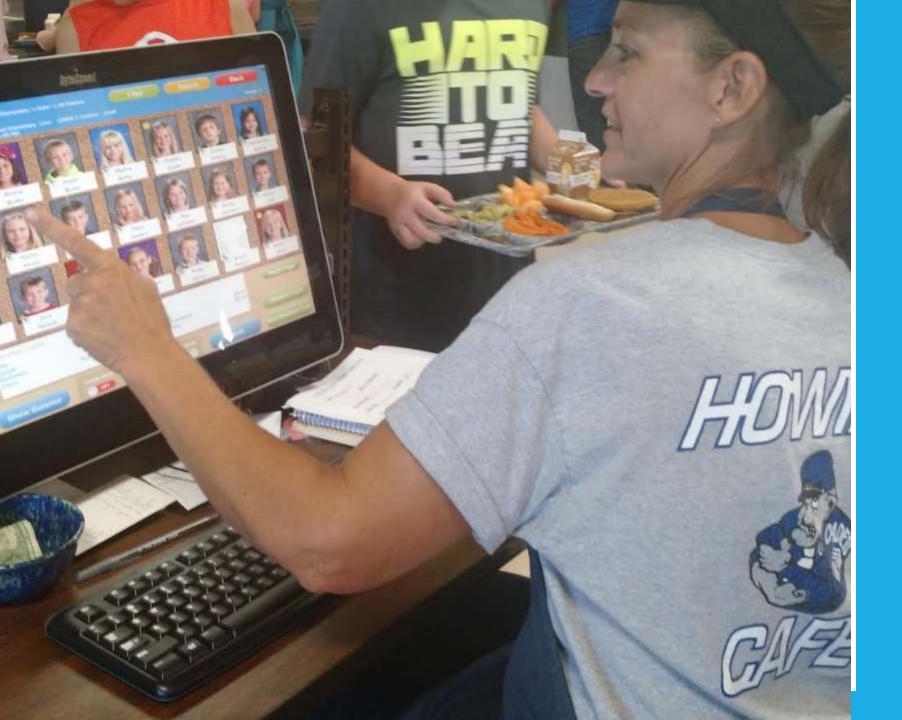
MASCOT TABLES



ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA



SERVICE WITH A SMILE



PICTURES AT POINT OF SALE



WHAT'S A MEAL?



WE LIKE SCHOOL LUNCH!

#### USE YOUR RESOURCES

- ▶ Team Nutrition
- ➤ Iowa Department of Education
- Communicate with other Directors
- School Nutrition of IA/Attend Chapter Meetings
- Participate in Webinars



## TASTING FUN

## "TAKE HOME MOMENT"

Always be open and willing to deal with change and new ideas

The kids are our #1 priority

Get familiar with social media such as your school's twitter account and toot your horn on all the great things that you do.

# GENERATING PARTICIPATION AND MARKETING STRATEGIES

JESSY SADLER
SAYDEL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

Buildings	Staff employed
Cornell Elementary (CEP)	5 (2 FTE, 3 PTE)
Woodside Middle School	4 (2 FTE, 2PTE)
Saydel High School	5 (2 FTE, 3 PTE)
	14

Free and Reduced	*SY 2014-2015 (4/1/15)	*SY 2015-2016 (4/1/16)	**SY 2016-2017 (9/9/16)
Cornell Elementary	66.15%	CEP	CEP
Woodside Middle School	59.74%	58.46%	62.93%
Saydel High School	51.78%	51.88%	56.94%

## DEMOGRAPHICS CONT.

Student Population SY 14-15	
Cornell Elementary	466
Woodside Middle School	391
Saydel High School	444
District Totals	1301
Student Population SY 15-16397	
Cornell Elementary (CEP)	456
Woodside Middle School	397
Saydel High School	420
District Totals	1273
Student Population SY 16-17 As of 9/27/16	
Cornell Elementary	469
Woodside Middle School	410
Saydel High School	427
District Totals	1362

## MARKETING STRATEGIES

We incorporated new marketing strategies to increase meal participation and build a supportive network

Our goal last year was to increase communication between:

- Parents
- Teachers
- Students
- Community

## MARKETING STRATEGIES/FAMILIES

- Newsletters, websites, menus, and other school communication channels to reach parents in a variety of ways.
- Attended parent organization meetings to discuss
- •Invited parents to lunch and showed them what choices their children can make in the cafeteria.







## WE INCLUDED SCHOOL LUNCH PICTURES AS OFTEN AS

POSSIBLE IN OUR NEWSLETTERS







#### Saydel Community School Food Services

#### National School Lunch Week 2015



Sayde Community School District recognized National School Lunch Week from October 12-16, 2015. Events were held in all 3 schools throughout the week. Thank you to everyone who came and ate with a child at on Wednesday for "Bring an adult to school lunch and eat school lunch!" Thank you to our special guest from Saylor Township Fire Department who came and helped serve in our kitchen. The week was finalized with the anouncement of the Sony camera witner. Allie May, 8" grade student, won the Sony camera at Woodside Middle School. The winner was randomly chosen from those who ate a school lunch during National School Lunch Week.











#### **Saydel Community School Food Services**

#### HAVE YOU HEARD?

Breakfast and lunch are provided to all students at no charge!

Cornell Elementary
participates in the Community
Eligibility Provision. Through
this program, all students are
eligible to receive breakfast
and lunch at no cost.

\*There will be a charge for extra milk or for a second entrée.

#### You are invited! National Take Your Parents to

National Take Your Parents to UNCH DAY

October 14, 2015

Please join your child for a meal in the school cafeteria. Learn how school meals are meeting new federal nutrition standards and let us know what you think about our lunch program!

#### NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK

## MARKETING STRATEGIES TEACHERS/STAFF

- We involved teachers with marketing through art, writing, and food and consumer science classes
- We worked with teachers to connect classroom activities to the lunchroom reading books about fruits and vegetables.





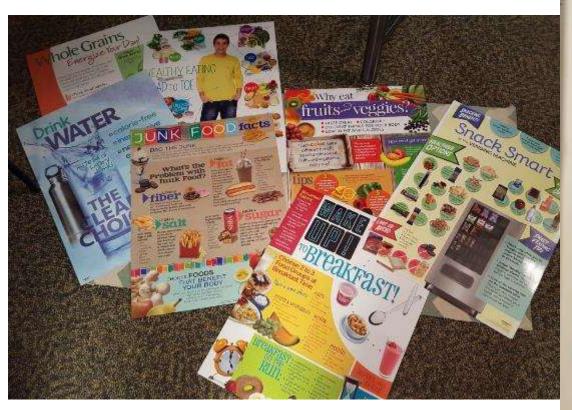
#### MARKETING STRATEGIES- STUDENTS

- •We promoted our daily meals by posting them on ageappropriate school posters or menu posted.
- Information regarding fruits and vegetables were always displayed and rotated during service lines.
- The Student Food and Nutrition Advisory Council met once every other month to give feedback, ideas, and answer any questions they had regarding the program.
- We constantly surveyed students on their likes and dislikes.
- We also invited students to write announcements, design logos, and create posters and labels for new products and promotions.

#### MARKETING STRATEGIES FOR STUDENTS/FUN FACTS



#### MARKETING STRATEGIES FOR STUDENTS/POSTERS





#### MARKETING STRATEGIES FOR STUDENTS/MENU POSTERS



#### MARKETING STRATEGIES FOR STUDENTS/EZ TAGS



#### MARKETING STRATEGIES/COMMUNITY

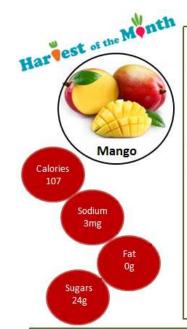
• We send out a quarterly district newsletter "to every household in the district.

In it, we created a Saydel Food Service page that features themed and various topics, recipes and "did-you-know facts".

•ISU Dietetic intern students assisted with school nutrition marketing programs by creating activities, new recipes, etc...

We also reached out to the nutrition undergrad students if they are interested in presenting an activity/game for the students

#### MARKETING STRATEGIES EXAMPLES



#### Cat Back on Added Sagar

I am sure you've received the memo that cutting back on added sugar is one of the best things you can do for your health, something that is highly encouraged in the new Dietary Guidelines for Americans.

The Dietary Guidelines for Americans suggests added sugar intake should be less than 10% of a person's daily calories. (This does not include naturally occurring sugars, such as those found in milk or fruits.) Extra sugars not only add empty calories, spike blood sugar levels, and increase the risk of several other health issues but also dramatically increase your risk of dying from a heart attack.\*

So now the question is: How do I cut back on added sugars?

- Be aware of what your ingredient label reads: agave syrup, brown sugar, fructose, honey, malt syrup, fruit juice concentrate, sucrose, cane sugar, and more are how sugars are labeled.
- Keep tabs on how much sugar you consume: Sugar doesn't need to be an all or nothing deal. Keep your daily total sugar consumption to 10 teaspoons (40g).
- . Make fruit-flavored water by adding a splash of juice or fresh fruit.
- Satisfy your sweet cravings nutritiously: Avoid the chocolate, and head for the fresh or dried fruit. You may be surprised how well fruit satisfies your craving

\*Published in April 2014 JAMA Internal Medicine.



#### HARVEST OF THE MONTH RECIPE—MANGO-RASPBERRY SMOOTHIE

1/2 cup Frozen or fresh mango, chopped

¼ cup Frozen or fresh raspberries ¼ cup Plain yogurt

½ cup Apple juice

Combine all ingredients in a blender and puree until smooth.

Prep and cook time: 15 minutes

#### Servings: 1

#### NUTRITION SNAPSHOT:

Per serving: 170 calories, 39g carbohydrates, 3g sugar, 4g protein, 42mg sodium, 5g fiber

#### Foodservice Office:

Visit www.saydel.k12.ia.us for menus and information

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Follow us on Twitter: @saydeldining

#### Build a Healthy Lunch







#### 79,792 BREAKFAST MEALS SERVED

	Breakfast Meals
Building791- Middle791	2015-2016
Cornell Elementary (CEP and BIC)	42,144
Woodside Middle School	16,791
Saydel High School	20,857
District Totals	79,792

#### BREAKFAST MEALS COMPARISON

<u>Building</u>	Breakfast Meals 2013 -2014	Breakfast Meals 2014-2015
Cornell Elementary	36,559	38,715
Woodside Middle School	21,387	19,629
Saydel High School	15,090	19,495
District Totals	72,305	77,144

#### 177,032 LUNCH MEALS SERVED

	Lunch Meals
<u>Building-Elemen51,405 40</u>	2015-2016
Cornell Elementary (CEP and BIC)	64,222
Woodside Middle School	61,405
Saydel High School	51,405
District Totals	177,032

#### LUNCH MEALS COMPARISON

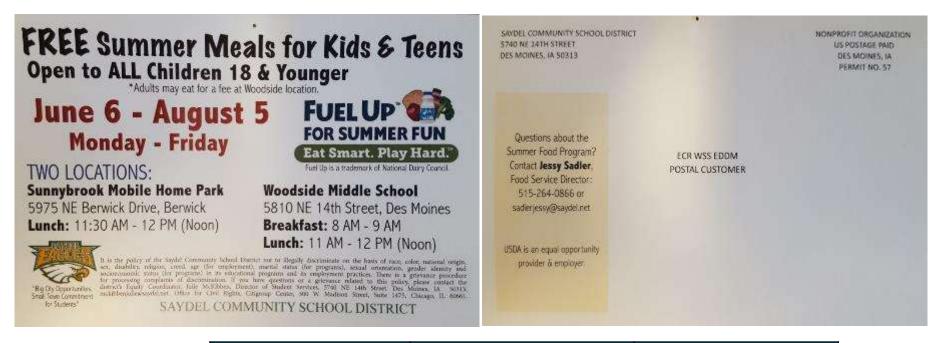
	Lunch Meals	Lunch Meals
<u>Building</u>	2013-2014	2014-2015
Cornell Elementary	63,642	63,653
Woodside Middle School	63,651	62,128
Saydel High School	50,443	52,496
District Totals	171,646	172,672

#### SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM POSTERS



#### SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM POST CARDS

The postcards were mailed to each household on the third week of May.



	Total Lunch Meals	Total Lunch Meals	Total Lunch Meals
	Summer <b>20</b> 16	Summer 2015	Summer <b>20</b> 14
1	49 days	50 days	44 days
	7530 meals	7044 meals	5058 meals

## THIS YEAR...

Continue the same marketing strategies

Expand our food service catering

With the partnership of Food and Consumer Sciences

Market feature new "hot" items

- Creative names
- Introducing new menu items
  - Sweet and sour chicken
  - Hot wings
  - Build-your-own bar: Potato bar, mac n cheese bar, pasta bar
  - To-go "lunchables"



TAKE AWAY.....

DON'T BE SCARED OF THE WORD "MARKETING"

CHOOSE YOUR AUDIENCE, AN IDEA AND BUILD ON IT

# STRATEGIES TO INCREASE SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PARTICIPATION

JEANNIE ALLGOOD, DIRECTOR OF NUTRITION SERVICES
WAUKEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## WAUKEE CSD DEMOGRAPHICS 2016-2017

- Student population 9,800
- Free and Reduced = 16%
- >83 Employees
- ≥ 13 Buildings

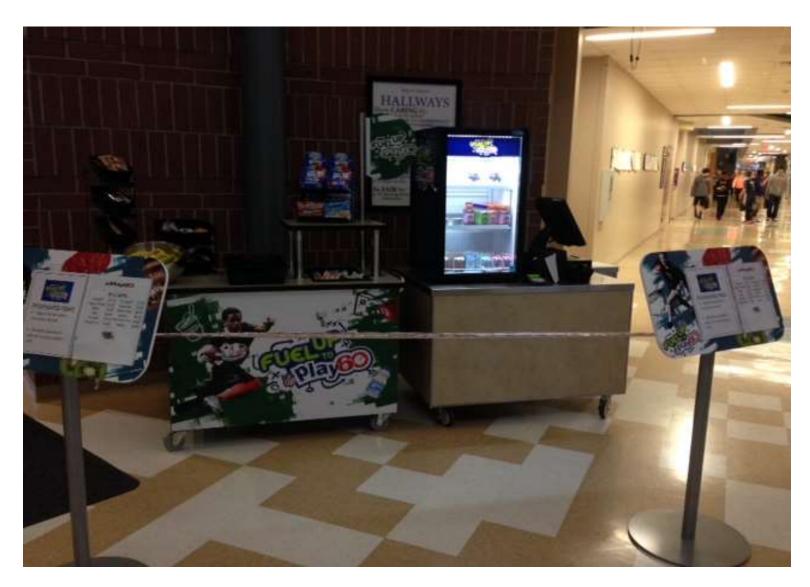
## INCREASING BREAKFAST PARTICIPATION

- "Breakfast After the Bell" or
   "Second Chance Breakfast"
- Grab N Go Kiosk
- Offer choices to make a reimbursable breakfast
- Communication

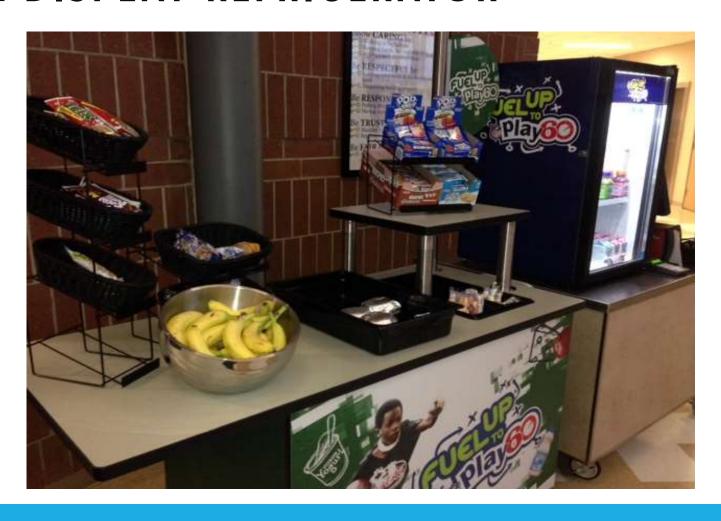
#### SECOND CHANCE BREAKFAST



#### GRAB-AND-GO KIOSKS



# MIDWEST DAIRY FUEL UP TO PLAY BREAKFAST CART & DISPLAY REFRIGERATOR



## OFFER CHOICES



#### COMMUNICATION

- ➤ Student Advisory
- ► PTO Groups
- ➤ Social Media
- School Newsletters
- > School website
- >SNA has new PR Campaign materials

https://schoolnutrition.org/Resources/MktComm/PRCampaign

#### **Waukee Community School District**



## No time for breakfast at home?

We've made it easy for your student to enjoy a healthy breakfast at school. School breakfast is proven to improve student behavior, test scores and attendance, so don't let your student miss out on the most important meal of the school day! e.g. IN THE CAFETERIA ENJOY THE CONVENIENCE OF A WELL-BALANCED SCHOOL BREAKFAST AT THE LOW PRICE OF:

\$1.70

Visit http://www.waukeeschools.org/nutrition/menus to learn what's on the menu.

## BREAKFAST POSTER FROM SNA

#### SOCIAL MEDIA

#### **SAMPLE TWEETS:**

It's Friday! What makes Fridays better? That's right, #schoolbreakfast

Beat those Monday morning blues with #schoolbreakfast at 7 AM! The breakfast of "WARRIORS".

There's a reason they call it "brain food" #finalsweek

The early bird gets the worm. #gotbreakfast?

It's negative WHAT outside?! Come warm up in the cafeteria with a nice, hot #schoolbreakfast

There are two types of people in the world: people who love bagels and liars. #TryOurBreakfastBagels

#### INCREASING LUNCH PARTICIPATION

- Evaluate current participation, cut unpopular entrée items
- Offer choices for reimbursable meals
- Sample new products with students, keep roll-out of new items close to sample date
- Presentation of food
- "Toot your own horn"
  - Open House, Conferences
  - SNA PR Campaign materials
  - Pictures on social media, Tweets
  - Market your own a la carte items
- > Friendly professional staff

# OFFER *CHOICES* TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION

## **KIDZABLE**





## WARRIOR BOXED SALAD



#### SAMPLE NEW PRODUCTS WITH STUDENTS



#### **PRESENTATION**

- "Dress up" the products, butter spray, garnishes
- Colorful menus
- Dark trays "show off" the food







## TOOT YOUR OWN HORN



## MARKET YOUR OWN GRAB AND GO ITEMS











#### MORE GRAB AND GO ITEMS





#### FRIENDLY PROFESSIONAL STAFF



#### TAKE HOME MOMENT

Choices, choices

Toot (tweet) your own horn, Communication

# MARKETING YOUR FOODSERVICE PROGRAM

STEPHANIE HAWKINS, FOOD SERVICE DIRECTOR FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT STEPHANIE.HAWKINS@FAIRFIELDSFUTURE.ORG

If you are not willing to risk the unusual, you will have to settle for the ordinary.

Jim Rohn



#### WHY SHOULD I MARKET MY PROGRAM?

- You are already doing great things!
- Marketing lets people know the great things you are doing.
- Your customers are already responding to marketing.
- Social Media is a low or no cost marketing tool that can have great results.
- As a part of Fairfield's marketing strategy, social media has helped increase participation by **6,369** meals in **39** school days during Sept. and Oct. compared to last year.

## DON'T BE AFRAID TO USE IT, YOUR CUSTOMERS DO!







#### SNAPCHAT

- Snapchat is a picture and text that lasts just a short time.
- FCSDlunchlady snaps two snaps a day to her followers. 141 followers at this time.
- A breakfast snap with a motivational quote and the breakfast menu at 7:30am.
- A lunch snap with the lunch menu at 10:00am.
- Occasionally a picture of featured item being prepared.

#### **FACEBOOK**

#### **FCSD Lunchlady**

- 166 friends
- I post nightly the next day's menus for each building.
- Facebook is followed more by adults than students but is a platform to keep parents informed.
- I also use it as a way to publicly appreciate our cooks and staff.

#### **TWITTER**

- Twitter allows a 140 character limit per tweet.
- Another way to get a quick message out to a lot of people at once.

## WHAT IF YOU'RE NOT COMFORTABLE WITH TECHNOLOGY

- Your students are your customers...Talk to them!!
- FHS Principal allowed me to speak directly to each class the first day of school explaining menus and grab and go options.
- I spoke to Health Class on menu planning and got their ideas on items for the menu.
- Work with a student advisory council for Middle School and High School.
- This generation of students are foodies. Use that!

#### THE GOAL

## THE AIM OF MARKETING

is to know and understand

### THE CUSTOMER

so well the product or service fits him and sells itself.

- Peter Drucker

#### UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

New Manager Series

January 11 What's my Job Description?

February 8
Menus and Food Production

March 8
Serving for Success

What's New in School Nutrition — January 23

USDA Foods: Using Your Planned Assistance Level (PAL)

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